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In re Application of:

INVENTOR: Marc ALAIA et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/828,731

FILING DATE: April 9, 2001

TITLE: Method and System for Controlling the Initiation and Duration of Overtime Intervals in Electronic Auctions (as

amended)

GROUP ART UNIT: 2161

EXAMINER: Unassigned

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN CONTINUATION APPLICATION

Prior to the examination of the above-identified continuation application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please change the title of this continuation application as under.

New Title:

Method and System for Controlling the Initiation and Duration of

Overtime Intervals in Electronic Auctions

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add claims 89-137 as follows:

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	AUCTIONS (as amended))	2100

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN CONTINUATION APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Citations

Sir:

1.	Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in Continuation Application.
2.	Additional papers enclosed:
	☐ Drawings: ☐ Formal ☐ Informal (Correction) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement

Form PTO-1449, _____ references included

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3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time. Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below: **Total Months** Fee for [Fee for Small Requested Extension Entity] one month \$ 110.00 55.00 \$ 400.00 \$ two months 200.00 three months \$ 920.00 \$ 460.00 four months \$ 1,440.00 \$ 720.00 Extension of time fee due with this request: \$ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor. An extension for __ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now

4. <u>Constructive Petition</u>

requested.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	49	minus	20	29	x \$18 each =	+ \$ 522.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R.§1.16(b))	5	minus	3	2	x \$84 each =	+ \$ 168.00
[] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s) \$270.00					+\$ 0.00	
SUB-TOTAL =						\$ 690.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						- \$
TOTAL FEE =					\$ 690.00	

6.	Fee	Pay	ment

No fee is to be paid at this time.

- Check in the amount of \$690.00 for extra claims fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension of time fee due to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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Express Mail Certificate (1 page); Preliminary Amendment in Continuation Application Transmittal Form (3 pages); Preliminary Amendment in Continuation Application (14 pages); and Check No. 3485 in the amount of \$690.00

which are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10, on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Box Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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